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Class Thoughts

PEACE... In the name of the Lord Jesus Christ we pray for and decree a speedy victory in this world conflict, to be followed by a permanent peace, uniting all the nations of the earth in a league of justice and righteousness, in which the life, liberty, and love of God shall be paramount.

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ILLUMINATION (11 a.m.): I now claim the guidance of the Spirit of truth promised by Jesus, and divine wisdom is revealed to me.

PROSPERITY (12 noon): The Spirit that multiplied the loaves and fishes for Jesus is here increasing my substance, and my prosperity appears.

HEALING (9 p. m.): The same Spirit that raised up Jesus is here raising me, and I am restored to harmony and health.

OCT. 20 to NOV. 19

ILLUMINATION (11 a.m.): Through Christ my mind is unfettered and unbound, and I am triumphant, splendid, glorious!

PROSPERITY (12 noon): Through Christ I am made free from the fear of poverty and lack and restored to success and plenty.

HEALING (9 p. m.): Through Christ I am made free from the fear of sin and sickness and restored to health in mind and body.

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Stately and tall, the Unity Campanile or Prayer Tower directs the traveler to Unity Farm near Kansas City. Even so this little magazine daily directs your steps to the sun-tipped heights in whose glory you behold yourself as a son of God: for such you are.

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SGT. JOHN E. MANOLA

No matter where I go, I know That God is always there, Above, around, beneath, within, Equally everywhere:

In the green, sweet-smelling, sun-kissed grass Rich with His life divine; In the jewellike stars, His loving eyes That watch o'er me and mine:

In ethereal bird songs, whispering pines— Living echoes of His voice; In life-giving, air-cool, cleansing streams— O man, expand, rejoice!

And then through eyes of friends I see The Christ so calmly gaze, Embracing me within His love, Enlightening all my ways.

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HOUGHT is the activity of mind. Man's ability to think makes him potentially the conscious co-operator with God in manifesting His divine purposes. Whenever we think thoughts that are in accord with divine purposes, we become a channel of His blessings. This helps not only ourselves but—because all mind is part of the one Mind—others who are receptive to our thoughts.

Thought is formative. In Genesis, 1st chapter, we have a superlative illustration of this in the picture of God "thinking out" His creation. In Genesis 2:4 we read: "These are the generations of the heavens and of the earth when they were created." God has shared the formative power of thought with man, and man is destined to transform his life and world into complete conformity with the will of God through the power of thought.

The creation partakes of the nature of the Creator. God is mind, and the creation is mental. Mind acts upon mind. "Matter" is mind molded in the matrix of thought. Matter and mind are not separate creations, but are different states of the same substance. Matter is mind "crystallized" or

"condensed," as mind is matter attenuated.

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Since the creation is mental, it seems reasonable to believe that its forms of expression are more easily changed through the action of mind (thought) than by what on this human plane of expression we are pleased to term "outward action." A helpful illustration of this is seen in the operation of motion pictures. It is impossible to change the pictures upon the screen (of manifestation) by fighting them. It is easy to do so by changing the film (of thought) in the projecting machine (of mind).

We all appear to be separate individuals, distinct from one another and from God. In deepest truth we are all one—with one another and with God. If we are receptive to the thought of others, we are influenced by it. Accumulated human thought is called "race consciousness." We help to correct or improve race consciousness when we persistently hold to and radiate thoughts that derive their inspiration from Divine Mind.

Every man should be the ruler of his "thought people." He should choose and direct his thoughts as illustrated in the story of the centurion. He should recognize the higher authority of the Christ mind, as did that soldier. We should center our thought upon what we desire to see manifested in

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I LIVE IN GOD; HE LIVES IN ME. ALL IS WELL WITH ME AND MY WORLD.

AND A MAN shall be as a hiding-place from the wind, and a covert from the tempest, as streams of water in a dry place, as the shade of a great rock in a weary land. And the eyes of them that see shall not be dim, and the ears of them that hear shall hearken. And the heart of the rash shall understand knowledge, and the tongue of the stammerers shall speak. . . .

Until the Spirit be poured upon us from high, and the wilderness become a fruitful field . . . And the work of righteousness shall be peace; and the effect of righteousness, quietness and confidence for ever. And my people shall abide in a peaceable habitation, and in safe dwellings, and in quiet resting-places. . . . Blessed are ye that sow beside all waters. . . .

O Jehovah, be gracious unto us; we have waited for thee: be thou our arm every morning, our salvation also in the time of trouble.—Isaiah.

^{*} Jehovah is exalted; for he dwelleth on high: he hath filled Zion with justice and righteousness. And there shall be stability in thy times, abundance of salvation, wisdom, and knowledge.—ISA. 33:5, 6.

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I MEET ALL THE CHALLENGES OF THIS DAY WITH TRUE FAITH AND READY HANDS, THROUGH THE POWER OF MY INDWELLING CHRIST.

TIME like this demands
Strong minds, great hearts, true faith,
and ready hands."

Now more than ever great souls are needed. You may not think of yourself as being great, but you can answer the call of the times. You can make yourself important to God and to man.

You can develop a strong mind by knowing that Christ in you is wise with the wisdom of Spirit and that your mind is Christ-illumined. You can develop a great heart by loving God and all His creation. Make love more than an abstract idea. Actually love your world and the people in it.

You can develop true faith by devoting time to silence and prayer and by acting on faith when you have challenging experiences to meet.

You will have ready hands to do whatever task may be yours to do to help make the world a finer, better place when you think of yourself as being a great soul, much needed in these times.

As thy days, so shall thy strength be.—DEUT. 33:25.

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I NOW RELAX AND TRUST IN THE HEALING, FREEING POWER OF GOD.

Sometimes in the search for health one can study and meditate upon and work at the problem until both mind and body are tense. At such a time it is well to stop and relax. You do not have to struggle even mentally to be healed. Trust the healing, freeing power of God to outpicture health and harmony in your body.

Relax, and you will absorb the healing power of God, just as you absorb the sunshine if you lie relaxed on a smooth sandy beach. You have been trying to understand, trying consciously to eliminate negative ideas. Now it is time to relax even if you do not understand everything. All you need is a little faith, and God can and will free and heal you. Let go of every doubt and question in your mind.

As a child trustfully reaches for his mother's hand when he crosses the street, so you must reach for the hand of God. Know only that God's will for you, perfect health, is now done in you, and leave everything to Him.

Be still, and know that I am God.—PSALMS 46:10.

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I LIVE IN POISE AND SERENITY BECAUSE GOD IS IN CHARGE OF MY LIFE AND AFFAIRS

HE PERSON whose life is always in a turmoil, who works hard to small avail, shows plainly that he is trying to manage his affairs without God's help. He is not aware that the presence of God is ever with him; he tries to do with personal might and effort all the things that God could easily do through him.

The constant awareness of God's presence keeps us poised and serene. We are calm in the face of dangers and emergencies of every kind, because we know that God is working in and through us in all our activities. His presence is mighty to combat everything that is opposed to His nature. His wisdom is our infallible guide in all matters great and small. His love brings balance, order, and harmony into our life.

When we allow God to take charge of our uncontrolled thoughts and unsteady affairs, we at once become poised and serene, sure that all is well; and He in turn blesses us with the desired peace, order, achievement, and success.

The Lord is good . . . and he knoweth them that trust in him.—NAHUM 1:7 (A. V.).

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PRAYERFULLY I PLACE ALL THE DETAILS OF MY LIFE IN THE CARE AND KEEPING OF GOD, AND HE BLESSES ME ABUNDANTLY.

E SHOULD not wait until some big problem confronts us before we turn to God in prayer. We ought to pray without ceasing, so that our life may be always full and joyous, a rich testimonial to the eternal goodness of God.

Once we have learned how to trust God momently, how to let Him take charge of even the smallest details of our life and affairs, we shall not experience sudden intervals of doubt, despair, fear, and heartbreak. We shall not be ill or lacking in the good things of life if our mind is constantly attuned to God, if a song of praise and thanksgiving springs eternally from our heart, if prayer is continually a part of our everyday living.

It is not possible for us to remain in a silent attitude of prayer indefinitely, nor is it necessary. Every thought we think, every word we speak, every act we perform can and should glorify God in some way. This is praying without ceasing.

Rejoice always; pray without ceasing; in everything give thanks.—I THESS. 5:16-18.

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I ACCEPT THE BOUNTY WHICH GOD HAS FOR ME THIS DAY.

ANY OF Us believe that God is able to supply our needs, but we put off the day of supply until some time in the future. There is nothing in the Bible to indicate that we must wait for our good. Everything points to the truth that the kingdom of God is at hand. God's substance is everywhere evenly present, and we can contact it at any moment wherever we may be.

When we say that our good will probably come next month or after the first of the year, we do not change God's bounty, but we do limit our receptivity to His good. God's bounty is ready for us now, this moment.

We can carry in a jug only as much liquid as the jug is capable of holding. We receive in our life only as much substance as our consciousness is prepared to receive. We can enlarge our consciousness by knowing that God supplies our every need this moment and by praying for wisdom in the use of substance.

Lift up your eyes, and look on the fields, that they are white already unto harvest.—John 4:35.

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THE JUSTICE OF GOD NOW PREVAILS IN MY THOUGHT, IN MY LIFE, AND IN MY AFFAIRS.

no longer believe in injustice. Injustice will have lost its power to appear when we remove from it the belief that has sustained it. When we cease to believe that we can be unjustly dealt with, when we no longer deal unjustly with others, then injustice will have no place or power in our world. Only God as justice will prevail.

The way to put an end to the injustice of the world is to do your own part through right thought, deed, and endeavor. The individual's part is primarily that of correcting his own thought. Each one must do his own part toward reducing the thought of injustice and toward replacing it with the consciousness that God prevails as perfect justice.

Dedicate this day to justice. Think of God as ruling your world as justice. Think of the power of justice as mighty to reduce injustice to nothingness. Behold injustice giving way to God and His justice. See the world being ruled by justice.

^{*} There is no God else besides me, a just God and a Saviour.—ISA. 45:21.

I TURN TO GOD IN ME, AND MY SOUL, BODY, AND AFFAIRS ARE REDEEMED.

To REDEEM means to liberate, to deliver from bondage, to save, to uplift, to restore. When we start to redeem our body and affairs, we find that our first work is with our thoughts. We have to redeem all the thoughts in our subconscious mind that may have played havoc with us in the past. By watching our thinking, by keeping it attuned to the positive, constructive, loving thoughts of Truth we can liberate and transmute all thoughts of anger, hatred, greed, irritation, and fear.

Definite daily work in prayer is required if we expect results. Practice in thought control is necessary. A helpful method is to take a prayer or statement that contains the redeeming idea and deliberately think it or whisper it or speak it aloud for a period of time. Here is one such statement: "Letting go of all past thoughts of anger, hatred, greed, irritation, fear, and lack, I let the love of God in me permeate every part of my being, and I find myself loving, healthy, happy, and peaceful."

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MY SPIRITUAL UNDERSTANDING IS QUICK-ENED, AND I DAILY GROW IN GRACE AND UNDERSTANDING.

Y SON, forget not my law . . . Let thy heart keep my commandments: For length of days, and years of life, And peace, will they add to thee. Let not kindness and truth forsake thee: Bind them about thy neck; Write them upon the tablet of thy heart: So shalt thou find favor and good understanding In the sight of God and man. Trust in Jehovah with all thy heart, And lean not upon thine own understanding: In all thy ways acknowledge him, And he will direct thy paths. . . . Happy is the man that findeth wisdom, And the man that getteth understanding. For the gaining of it is better than the gaining of silver. And the profit thereof than fine gold. . . . Length of days is in her right hand; In her left hand are riches and honor.

And all her paths are peace.—PROV. 3:17.

Her ways are ways of pleasantness.—Proverbs.

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I DISCOVER A BLESSING IN EVERYTHING I DO, IN EVERYONE I MEET; FOR GOD LOVES ME AND BLESSES ME.

HERE is good in every experience, even if that good be only a lesson learned. Sometimes it is difficult to see a lesson in experiences that seem hard or cruel or bitter. It may be that while we are going through an unhappy experience we cannot see beyond it to the good we shall gain ultimately from having gone through it. But if we keep the faith that nothing can come to us from which we cannot somehow gain a blessing, we will always make progress.

Faith in God, a good attitude toward life and people, a loving response to the demands that are made upon us, and a quiet and confident knowledge in our heart that God is with us and all is well, will help us turn every adversity into a blessing, every stranger into a friend, every challenge into an achievement. For God is always with us, to bless us, to bless our life, to bless the desires of our heart and the work of our hands.

^{*} But Jehovah thy God turned the curse into a blessing unto thee, because Jehovah thy God loved thee.—Deut. 23:5.

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IN THE MIND OF GOD INFINITE ABUNDANCE IS PLANNED FOR ME.

E ven in these days when shortages seem to be the rule I feel no sense of limitation. I feel deep gratitude welling up in me for the great abundance that is mine. I take great joy in that which is provided for me, and I find it indeed ample for all my needs.

"Thou openest thine hand, and satisfiest the desire of every living thing," sang the Psalmist. I am constantly aware of this open hand of God and

there is no fear of want in my heart.

I know that God has an ample supply for all; that there is no shortage in His plan. I turn to Him in my need, and all that I desire is provided. In a world that has been so abundantly blessed and supplied there is plenty for all. We should rejoice in the sharing of it, and Be deeply grateful for that which is ours. I know that the source of all supply is at hand for me to draw upon, that there is plenty for all to share with love.

Esing unto the LORD with thanks giving ... who covereth the heaven with clouds, who prepareth the rain for the earth, who maketh grass to grow upon the mountains.—PSALMS 147: 7, 8 (A. V.).

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GOD'S LOVE MOVING THROUGH ME MAKES ME GENTLE AND UNDERSTANDING.

Op's love is not something so sublime and exalted that it cannot function through you and me. It is not an ecstasy reserved for those who have attained to complete godliness.

God's love is the warm compassionate love that ever moves in the depths of all of us, making us kind and considerate, gentle and forgiving in whatever degree we ourselves permit.

In business the love of God becomes service and courtesy. In the home the love of God is seen in all the little loving attentions, the faults overlooked, the virtues magnified, the affection of one member of the family for another. In civic life the love of God is disguised as interest in the welfare of others, in general advancement and progress, in justice and fair play for all. Tolerance is the love of God acting to make justice more equitable and errors less hopeless to the erring. In these many forms we see that God's love is abroad in all the land doing His work.

A new commandment I give unto you, that ye love one another; even as I have loved you.—JOHN 13:34.

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WHEREVER I AM GOD IS, AND WHERE GOD IS THERE IS NOTHING TO FEAR.

Topay determine to free yourself of fear of any kind. The basis of all fear is a feeling of separation from God. Whatever it is that causes you to be fearful, whether it be persons, places, a new job, a dark street, a bad dream, you can overcome your fear by realizing that in God you live and move and have your being, and that He is in all, through all, over all. He is in every person you meet; He is everywhere you go; He is with you in all that you do; His presence abides with you through the day and through the night.

If a thought of fear crosses your mind, if a feeling of fear makes you tremble, say to yourself, "Wherever I am, God is, and where God is there is nothing to fear." This will help you to establish in yourself a conscious and sustained realization of your oneness with God so that you can abide in a fearless and free state of mind and face all persons, all situations, all things with courage in your heart, with faith in your soul.

Jehovah is on my side; I will not fear: What can man do unto me?

-PSALMS 118:6.

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I AM THANKFUL FOR MY EVERY BLESSING, AND I AM CONTENTED EVERY DAY OF MY LIFE.

It is good to have a contented state of mind. If we think of the word contented as having been derived from a Latin word meaning "to contain," we get a different idea of what true contentment means.

Some persons find it hard to be contented because they have many unfulfilled desires, many longings, and they believe that to admit to being contented would be an admission of the futility of trying to attain their goal. But true contentment is founded upon the realization that in our spiritual nature is contained all that we need to make our life full and happy. There are no limitations or bonds to keep us from claiming greater good except our own lack of understanding.

A contented heart and mind is a protection against unhappiness, loneliness, fear, even disease, and probably the best way to achieve contentment is through giving thanks for the blessings and

opportunities of life.

[♣] For I have learned, in whatsoever state I am, therein to be content.—PHIL. 4:11.

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Give me thy strength!" I cried unto the hills Give m That towered on high.

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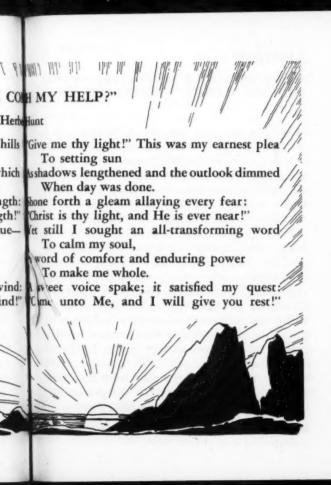
Back from the heights an echo rolled at length: hone for "God is thy refuge and thy certain strength!" Christ i

"Give me thy peace!" I asked of waters blue— Vet still So quiet they seemed!

Serene and still, the secret sure they held Of which I'd dreamed.

Same then the message whispered on the wind: I week "Look deep within if peace you'd truly find!" [Cme]





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I PRAY WITH LOVE AND UNDERSTANDING, AND THE FATHER ANSWERS MY EVERY PRAYER.

E ASK, and receive not, because ye ask amiss." The manner of our asking determines the fulfillment of our prayer. Should we try to use prayer for selfish purposes, we might succeed temporarily through the action of the personal will, but the good we received would be neither permanent nor satisfying.

Pleading with God does not bring results either. Many good people throughout the ages have tried this method and found it wanting. All who "ask amiss" must eventually realize that the blessings of God are free, that He gives lovingly and abundantly to those who acknowledge Him as Father and claim their relationship to Him to be that of son. "All that is mine is thine" is His promise to those who abide in this Father-son consciousness. Let us pray with love and understanding, trusting God as a child trusts his father, for when we do so He answers our prayers perfectly, and we are happy with the results.

^{*} I will pray with the spirit, and I will pray with the understanding also.—I COR. 14:15.

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GOD BLESSES ME IN THE SILENCE OF MY SOUL, AND I SHARE MY INSPIRATION WITH OTHERS.

HE PURPOSE of prayer, of going into the silence, is to receive renewal and blessing and divine ideas from God. This is a privilege accorded everyone who will seek it. But we must use the ideas we receive and share our inspiration with others if we are to fulfill the law of giving and receiving. Ideas wisely used and freely shared enrich our life and bless others.

"Whosoever hath, to him shall be given . . . but whosoever hath not, from him shall be taken away even that which he hath" is a law that we cannot overlook if we are to develop spiritually. Anything we try to hoard is "out of circulation," becomes stale and useless. After we have sought and received spiritual inspiration we must release it in activity if we would profit by it or help others.

All of Christ's ministry points to the necessity of the spiritual life. If we are to emulate Him, we must render good and helpful service, we must live by the light we gain and share all that makes our own life rich and full and happy.

^{*} To whomsoever much is given, of him shall much be required.—LUKE 12:48.

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CHRIST IS IN CONTROL OF MY EVERY THOUGHT AND ACT.

E HEAR these days about persons who are "accident prone," that is, persons who seem to be constantly involved in accidents of one kind or another. Research along this line makes it seem likely that something in their thought and attitude is responsible.

Truth teaches us how to protect ourselves from accidents. In Truth we learn that in order to control our circumstances so as not to have accidents, we must understand how to control our inner self. It is good to affirm that Christ is in control of our mind and body, that His wisdom lights our mind, that His understanding guides our way, that His life animates our body. With Christ in control we think quickly, act with sureness and efficiency.

We invite good experiences into our daily life by replacing fear with love, depression with faith, and realizing that we are one with Christ, endowed with divine capability.

Keep sound wisdom and discretion . . . Then shalt thou walk in thy way securely, And thy foot shall not stumble.

-Prov. 3:21, 23.

PEACE FILLS MY MIND, LOVE FILLS MY HEART; FOR I KNOW THAT I AM IMPORTANT TO GOD.

HE disquietude of mind, the distress we feel when some good fortune comes to another person is not so much because we begrudge him his good fortune but because we have a sense of failure in ourselves. If we can understand the cause of envy, we can overcome it.

The way to overcome any sense of failure in ourselves is to realize our divine nature, to realize our divine powers, and to seek constantly to gain a greater understanding of ourselves and our place in the divine scheme of things. Regardless of how unimportant or unworthy we may feel ourselves to be, we are a divine creation, and we are not exactly like anyone else in the world. We are important to God, we have a place to fill in the world that no one else can fill. What others have, what they achieve has nothing to do with us, in no way takes anything from us. The accomplishments of others cannot keep us from accomplishing the purposes of our heart if we are willing to put forth the necessary faith and effort.

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I AM AN INSTRUMENT IN THE HANDS OF GOD; HE WORKS THROUGH ME TO DO HIS PERFECT WORK.

HAT person is truly an instrument in the hands of God!" How often this has been said of someone who has contributed some great good to humanity and the world. Yet such a statement is no less true of unimportant persons, who seem to have accomplished little.

We are all instruments in the hands of God. The difference in our accomplishments lies in our greater or less desire and willingness to let God do His perfect work in and through us. Only when we put aside the personal self, with its ambition for fame, its striving for worldly gain, and turn to God with heart, mind, soul, and talents dedicated to Him, can we hope to achieve anything that will bring us lasting joy and satisfaction or be of any great benefit to our fellow men.

Let us wholeheartedly desire the fulfillment of God's holy purpose in us. In the spirit of unselfish devotion to Him we shall find the joy and glory promised to those who do the "greater works."

It is God who worketh in you both to will and to work, for his good pleasure.—PHIL. 2:13.

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THROUGH CHRIST MY MIND IS UNFETTERED AND UNBOUND, AND I AM TRIUMPHANT, SPLENDID, GLORIOUS!—UNITY CLASS THOUGHT.

SPIRITUAL freedom is the underlying idea of the Unity Class Thoughts for the current month. We who have experienced and know the freedom that Christ brings to men can say with conviction, "Let Christ in you unfetter, illumine, and inspire you with the great truth that in Him all men are truly and wholly free."

Christ, whom we call the Way-Shower, revealed in His ministry that men are the slaves to their own negative thoughts. It has taken the world many hundreds of years to recognize the depth of His teaching, and even now we do not yet perceive the full force and extent of it. But it is becoming increasingly clear that the key to freedom is in the reformation and redirection of our thinking from negative to positive.

The Christ, the heart of God within you, bids you be free, free from the enslavement of lack, ill health, oppressive conditions of all kinds. Open your mind to His freeing Spirit that will make you triumphant, glorious, and splendid.

For freedom did Christ set us free. -GAL. 5:1.

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THROUGH CHRIST I AM MADE FREE FROM THE FEAR OF POVERTY AND LACK AND RESTORED TO SUCCESS AND PLENTY.—UNITY CLASS THOUGHT.

That perhaps somehow, someday you will fall short of having enough of the things you need to make you happy and successful? If you are assailed by such fear, let the freeing Spirit of Christ in you set you free this moment from the fear of poverty and lack. Let His opulent Spirit now shine forth in you in the expectation of abundant supply for every need.

There are some individuals who have no uncertainty whatever about having success and plenty all their life. Christ in you will reveal to you how you too can attain this confident and desirable

state of mind.

Freedom from fear of lack is established by letting the freeing Spirit of Christ in you open your mind to God's abundance all about you. When you embrace the idea that success and plenty are not only possible to you but are definitely yours, you are truly free.

For ye, brethren, were called for freedom.-GAL. 5:13.

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THROUGH CHRIST I AM MADE FREE FROM THE FEAR OF SIN AND SICKNESS AND RESTORED TO HEALTH IN MIND AND BODY.—UNITY CLASS THOUGHT.

ANY OF the world's great teachers of the science of successful living are fully agreed on the proposition that most if not all of the fleshly ills that afflict human beings have their root cause in fear. It follows logically that when the fear is eliminated, restoration to health takes place.

Fear is an insidious adversary, but it loses its power and falls when it is confronted by the light of the Christ. We might correctly say that God Himself has given us the great eliminator of fear, His Son, the Christ, in the glory of whose presence only perfection stands revealed.

If your mind or body appears to be impaired by some condition of ill-health or imperfection, let the freeing Spirit of the Christ infold it, dissolving whatever fear may have caused the condition to arise, and then bring forth into perfect manifestation your divine health.

* Stir into flame the gift of God, which is in thee.

—II Tim. 1:6 (margin).

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IN THE NAME OF JESUS CHRIST I DECREE: LET MY GOOD COME FORTH.

J if we should ask anything in His name it would be done. Some of us may hesitate to ask in the name of the Christ because we do not fully understand what it means to ask and pray in His name.

Let us remember that the name of anything indicates its essential nature or character. Therefore when we ask in the name of Jesus Christ we are asking for the kind of good that accords with the essential nature of the Christ. This means that we are entering into the consciousness of the Christ, and in that consciousness all things are possible to us just as they were possible to Jesus, the greatest of all teachers.

There is only good in the Christ consciousness; so it is only possible to decree good in His name, but whatever good we ask from that high state, we can rest assured will be brought forth. This is the promise and it will not fail, for the promises of the Christ are eternally true.

[♠] If ye shall ask anything in my name, that will I do.
—JOHN 14:14.

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T HAS been said that "the greatest happiness of life is the conviction that we are loved." If you do not have this conviction of being loved, you need to realize that God is love and that you are infolded always in His love.

In Lessons in Truth H. Emilie Cady has told us to take the idea "God loves me, and approves of what I do" and thus get a real feeling of being loved and approved of. Using a thought like this will help you free your mind from any false sense of guilt. It will lift you out of any feeling of inadequacy or inferiority. It will help you overcome any belief that you are unwanted or unloved.

The greatest gift God ever gives to us and through us is love. We do not have to strive for His love. It is already in our heart; when we know that it is there and let it well up in us we find our supreme happiness. When we know that God loves us, that His love is in our heart, we cannot help radiating love; we become friendlier, kinder, more understanding, more thoughtful of others.

* That the world may know that thou didst send me, and lovedst them, even as thou lovedst me.—John 17:23.

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I BELIEVE STEADFASTLY IN GOD AND HIS GOOD, AND I AM ABUNDANTLY BLESSED.

ANYONE CAN believe when the visible manifestation is placed before him, but it takes a man of faith to believe when there is no outer evidence. Yet it is only because of persons with faith that civilization has progressed. Men had to have faith in inventions before they could be brought forth. Explorers had to have faith before setting out on expeditions.

We too must have faith in God, faith in ourselves, faith in ideas before any good can be accomplished in our life. Some persons say, "If God would only do this particular thing, then I would believe," but the promise is that we receive because we have first believed. Blessed is the person of faith, for he sees beyond appearances and remains steadfast in the conviction of good. Jesus was so sure of God's good that He gave thanks before there was any visible manifestation of it. We too can give thanks, for our good is at hand, even though we do not yet see it.

[♣] Blessed are they that have not seen, and yet have believed.—John 20:29.

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I GIVE THANKS TO GOD FOR THE UNLIMITED BLESSINGS THAT ARE BEING POURED OUT UPON ME.

BEGIN TODAY to be appreciative of the good that comes to you as a direct blessing from God. Thankfulness is always rewarded. Let the spirit of thankfulness fill your heart, for blessings are sure to follow your thankfulness. You will grow in spiritual knowledge and understanding when you replace an attitude of ingratitude with one of praise and thanksgiving.

Your soul problems, your physical health, and your success in life are matters upon which thankfulness has considerable bearing. If you want to progress spiritually and to make demonstrations the Truth way, give voice to the spirit of praise and thanksgiving. Turn often to God and express your sincere appreciation, your thanks for the blessings you have. When you live through a day of being thankful, the night will find you happy in the realization of joy and victory.

Bless this day, knowing that it will bring good into your life. God is with you where you are.

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^{*} Stand every morning to thank and praise Jehovah.

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I WAIT UPON THE LORD AND RENEW MY STRENGTH.

O AIR, sunshine, water, and food of themselves renew our strength? If so, all that is necessary for perfect healing would be to absorb sufficient amounts of them. Many persons live in ideal environments so far as external conditions are concerned. But do they always express the strength and vitality they desire?

In order to be renewed rightly we must turn to the center of our being, find God in the "secret place of the Most High," commune with Him, claiming our strength and vitality from Him. Then through our being will flow waves of power that will literally make us strong.

The process of seeking renewal of strength should be repeated often; the first hour after awakening, the noon hour, and the hours before retiring are splendid times at which to commune with God. To become aware of Spirit within ourselves and to merge with it through our thought is a means of radiating a strength that is enduring and satisfying in every way.

[♣] They that wait for Jehovah shall renew their strength.
—Isa, 40:31.

Saturday

THE LOVE AND INTELLIGENCE OF GOD SHINE THROUGH ME AND BLESS EVERYONE AROUND ME.

A sorrtion in our own selfish interests, expecting others to act perfectly, and lack of emotional control all play their part in bringing inharmony into our life and environment. If we still think that adjustments in the lives of other persons are necessary if we are to be happy ourselves, we shall still experience inharmony. The truth is that if we wish harmony to appear in the outer, we must look within and adjust our own thinking to principle. Our external world is a reflection of our own subconscious world. Hidden beliefs and reactions are constantly taking shape in our environment. In order to change the outer we must first turn within and change the inner.

As the warm sun melts ice so the warm luminous love of God melts all inharmony in and around us. Let us not spend our time in blaming others for our troubles but rather in communing with God and in bringing forth so much of His love that it will dissolve all inharmonies. Thus we shall benefit ourselves and all around us.

Have love one to another .- JOHN 13:35.

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I CHOOSE TO SERVE GOD IN ALL THINGS, AND HE BLESSES ME ABUNDANTLY.

ALL OUR thoughts and ideas come to us for consideration, but some of them must necessarily be rejected. Upon what we select and what we reject depends our ultimate good. What we choose to think and believe and how we choose to act determines our health, happiness, success, security.

If we choose to believe in God and His righteousness, if we choose to think only good thoughts, to serve Him joyously, and to behave as a son of God, then we shall be choosing wisely, and the Father will bless us abundantly in our choice.

"Choose you this day whom ye will serve" implies three conditions. First, the choice rests with us as individuals. Others may pray for us or advise us, but the final choice is ours. Secondly, we must choose today. God's time is now. Thirdly, our loyalty must be given either to Spirit or to the things of the material world. Whom will we choose to serve, the God within us or the gods outside of us?

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I MEET ALL THE ISSUES OF LIFE WITH A WILL-ING HEART AND MIND AND SPIRIT.

HETHER we successfully meet the problems of life depends to a great extent on our willingness to learn, on our willingness to grow, even if it means giving up personal ideas.

Many times we are reluctant to co-operate with others, to fall in with ideas that are for the common benefit of all because we are too set in our thought about the way things should be done. We are afraid that our position will be lessened if we admit that we do not know everything about everything.

But "where the willingness is great, the difficulties cannot be great." Willingness to listen to others, willingness to co-operate, willingness to learn makes the way smooth before us, whatever it is that we have to meet.

Today meet life with a willing heart and mind and spirit. Be willing first of all that God's will and work be done in and through you, and be willing to give up small ideas and take the broad and happy view of life.

[€] Uphold me with a willing spirit.—PSALMS 51:12.

MAKE YOUR DREAMS COME TRUE

Thomas A. Edison made his dreams come true and lived to see his inventions known and used all over the world because he had faith enough in his ideas to work them out.

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